

650—12.4(147,153) System of retaking dental hygiene examinations.**12.4(1) *Method of counting failures.***

a. For the purposes of counting examination failures, the board shall utilize the policies adopted by CRDTS.

b. A dental hygiene examinee who fails one or both parts of the examination shall have one examination failure recorded. A dental hygiene examinee shall be required to retake only those parts of the examination that the examinee failed. However, a dental hygiene examinee who has not passed both parts of the examination within the time frame specified by CRDTS shall be required to retake the entire examination.

c. A dental hygiene examinee who has two examination failures will be required to complete the remedial education requirements set forth in subrule 12.4(2).

12.4(2) *Remedial education required prior to third examination.*

a. Prior to the third examination attempt, a dental hygiene examinee must submit proof of a minimum of 40 hours of additional formal education or a minimum of 40 hours of clinical experience that is approved in advance by the dental hygiene committee.

b. A dental hygiene examinee shall be required to retake only those parts of the examination that the examinee failed. However, a dental hygiene examinee who has not passed both parts of the examination within the time frame specified by CRDTS shall be required to retake the entire examination.

12.4(3) *Remedial education required prior to fourth examination.*

a. Prior to the fourth examination attempt, a dental hygiene examinee must submit proof of satisfactory completion of the equivalent of an additional semester of dental hygiene at a university or school approved by the dental hygiene committee.

b. A dental hygiene examinee shall be required to retake only those parts of the examination that the examinee failed. However, a dental hygiene examinee who has not passed both parts of the examination within the time frame specified by CRDTS shall be required to retake the entire examination.

12.4(4) *Subsequent failures.* For purposes of additional study prior to retakes, the fifth examination will be considered the same as the third.

12.4(5) *Failures of other examinations.* If a dental hygiene examinee applies for the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc., the Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc., or the Western Regional Examining Board, Inc., examination after having failed any other state or regional examination, the failures shall be considered ADEX, CRDTS, or WREB failures for the purposes of retakes.